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her·met·ic

([click to hear the word](#)) (hər-mět'ĭk) also her·met·i·cal
(-ĭ-kəl)

adj.

1. Completely sealed, especially against the escape or entry of air.
- 2. Impervious to outside interference or influence: *the hermetic confines of an isolated life.*
3. often **Hermetic**
 - a. *Mythology* Of or relating to Hermes Trismegistus or the works ascribed to him.
 - b. Having to do with the occult sciences, especially alchemy; magical.

[New Latin hermēticus, *alchemical*, from Medieval Latin Hermēs (Trismegistus) ; see **Hermes Trismegistus**.]

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